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# News

## Saint Joseph's honors three alumni as Chapter Persons of the Year

"Chapter Person of the Year" is an impressive title. It is awarded annually to individuals who have strengthened the college's Alumni Association chapter development project through alumni-related activities in their local areas. During last fall's homecoming festivities, Saint Joseph's honored three alumni with Chapter Person awards: Stephen J. Sergi of Indianapolis and Thomas J. and Donna Mitchell Mastandrea of Chicago.



*Steve Sergi, president of the newly chartered Indianapolis Chapter, accepts his Chapter Person of the Year Award from Dick Vallin.*

### **Stephen J. Sergi**

Mr. Sergi was cited for his overall organization of a well-received area alumni program in Indianapolis, which he directs with boundless energy, enthusiasm, and creativity. He was named president of the Indianapolis Chapter in 1989 and he also serves on the Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Mr. Sergi received a bachelor's degree in marketing from Saint Joseph's in May of 1985. He and his wife Anita reside in Indianapolis, where he is a commercial sales representative at Citizens Gas and Coke Utility.



*Dick Vallin presents a Chapter Person of the Year Award to Donna and Tom Mastandrea of the Chicago Chapter.*

### **The Mastandreas**

Thomas J. Mastandrea and his wife Donna Mitchell Mastandrea are co-winners of the Chapter Person of the Year Award in Chicago. They served as president and secretary, respectively, of the Chicago Chapter during 1985-90.

The Mastandreas were commended for having organized and led a very successful, diverse program for the 2,500 Chicago area alumni and for having invested much time and energy in obtaining the official charter of the Chicago Chapter in September on approval by the National Alumni Board of Directors. They also organize and host the area Christmas party, which is the Chicago fundraiser for a local Saint Joseph's scholarship.

Mrs. Mastandrea operates Donna's Garden, Inc., which she and her husband opened in Chicago in September of 1989. She received a bachelor's degree in communications and theatre arts from Saint Joseph's in April of 1984. Mr. Mastandrea, who received a bachelor's degree in marketing from Saint Joseph's in May of 1983, is the national outside sales manager for Chicago Extruded Metals Company.

## Dillon receives Saint Joseph's 1990 Alumni Service Award

In these hectic years there is seldom enough time to complete even ordinary tasks. But Joseph W. Dillon '76 has managed to contribute much of his valuable spare time to Saint Joseph's College alumni projects, and he has now been justly rewarded for his efforts with the 1990 Alumni Service Award.

Martha Mills, director of alumni affairs, says Mr. Dillon was recognized "for his loyalty and dedication to Saint Joseph's indicated by his service on the Alumni Board of Directors during 1983-86, his organization of the Chicago Chapter's participation in the St. Patrick's Day parade each year, his organi-

zation of the annual homecoming raffle for support of alumni programs, and his assistance in the reorganization of the Chicago Chapter."

Mr. Dillon, who was elected vice president of the Chicago Chapter in 1990, earned a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Saint Joseph's in 1976. He also received a master's degree from Illinois Benedictine Coll. (Lisle, Ill.) in 1986. He presently is manager of purchasing for American Steel Foundries in Chicago.

Mr. Dillon and his wife Peggy reside in Chicago Ridge, Ill., and have three children: Katie, 8, Timmy, 5, and Jennifer, 3.



John Carey presents the 1990 Alumni Service Award to Joseph W. Dillon '76 of Chicago.

## Chicago Alumni Chapter awards scholarship

As one of its major projects, the Chicago Chapter of Saint Joseph's College Alumni Association funds a scholarship to be awarded to a Chicago area student at Saint Joe's who is a son or daughter of Chicago alumni.

Several incoming freshmen applied for this year's scholarship by writing essays as to why they should win the award. These essays were reviewed by the Chapter's Scholarship Committee made up, in large part, of teachers.

According to Rich Perrotte '66, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, this first scholarship award was won by Bridget O'Brien, daughter of Diane and Tom O'Brien '69, of La Grange Park, Illinois.

### 1991 Scholarship Available

The Chicago Chapter will present a \$500 scholarship to the son or daughter of a Chicagoland alumnus or alumna

for the 1991 fall semester. To be eligible, applicants must be first-semester freshmen in fall 1991. They must reside in any of the following Chicago area zip code districts: codes 60000 through 60699.

Applicants must submit a written narrative explaining why they are interested in attending Saint Joseph's College and why they feel they should be awarded the scholarship.

Narratives should be sent no later than June 1 to SJC Director of Admissions Kathryn E. Egan, P.O. Box 890, Saint Joseph's College, Rensselaer, IN 47978.

The scholarship will be renewed annually if the recipient maintains a 2.5/4.0 grade-point average at the College.



Bridget O'Brien

## Saint Joseph's representatives safe after eventful visit to Haiti



The timing couldn't have been better. The weather was cold and nasty on Sunday, Dec. 30, as 13 people escaped the SJC campus for an eight-day trip to sunny Haiti.

But actually, the timing couldn't have been worse. The last day of the stay, Jan. 6, loyalist troops in Haiti crushed a major coup attempt that left 37 people dead, including seven by lynching. The SJC representatives left shaken, but safe and sound.

The coup had been led by Roger Lafontant, the reputed head of the Tonton Macoute, a private militia that has terrorized Haitians for decades. He was captured by government troops while the caretaker president, Ertha Pascal-Trouillot, was held hostage by the rebels for ten hours before being released unharmed.

"We were safe in our hospice, but we were right in the middle of the coup attempt," says associate campus minister Sr. Donna Liette, who led the expedition along with Fr. Dennis Kinderman. "We

could hear the screams of people, see fires that were set, and hear the gunshots...."

The trip to Haiti had not been intended to be a bask-in-the-sun vacation. The expedition was a spiritual experience, and a time for, as Sr. Donna puts it, "reflection, journaling, and sharing"—a chance to learn about the work of the Catholic Church in Haiti and the country's history, economy, society, and government.

"Certainly the coup added an unexpected dimension to our learning experience, and our students shared the concern of citizens that their hope for a more democratic lifestyle might be lost to this coup," adds Sr. Donna. "Our students developed a genuine solidarity with the people, who were so hospitable to us throughout our stay."

Although Fr. Denny feels the coup was a powerful educational experience for the students, he feels that impressions other than the coup will last longer in everyone's minds. The eleven students and their leaders stayed at the Diocesan Hospice in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Sr. Donna calls it "a place of safety." "[The Hospice is] a beautiful community of Haitians, Americans, old, young, sick and healthy, priests, sisters, a doctor, orphans," she explains. "It's a wonderful experience."

They visited the poor—and especially the babies—at Mother Teresa's hospital for dying and malnourished children, and saw the orphanages, the clinics, and the streets and countryside of poverty-torn Port-au-Prince. They saw firsthand the "slum of slums," Cite Soleil, and helped serve bowls of rice to 13,000 school children.

Many people helped with the trip: The SJC Student Affairs office paid for the Puma Van ride to Miami, and the Sisters of the Precious Blood contributed \$2,000 to the outreach endeavor. The project also received \$200 from the Indiana Newman Foundation. The students paid for most of the remaining expenses, and Bill Maniscalco, Vice Pres. for Student Affairs, arranged an overnight stay at Barry Coll. in Miami on the way down.

In addition, many members of the SJC faculty and staff gave for the cause, raising \$1000 that Fr. Denny and Sr. Donna donated to a Haitian educational project fully in keeping with the college's desire to promote improved education on all fronts.

"Andre Pierre, an education leader, spoke to us about a school that was under construction in the countryside," explains Fr. Denny. "Its foundation and pillars were completed, but work on the walls remained to be done, plus the addition of a roof, and we decided to contribute our \$1000 to help put on a roof....The more that can be done to support education, the better off those people will be."

The school will teach crafts such as woodworking and carpentry, plus electrical and mechanical skills.

"I feel very strongly that it is not just the 13 of us who went to Haiti, but Saint Joseph's College that went to Haiti..." says Sr. Donna. Within a couple of days, "we began to sense deeply that it's not 'them' and 'us' but a matter of 'we.' No longer did we feel a separation between U.S. citizens and Haitians; in our church services we praised the same God and felt united."

# On Campus

## Cristina Nuncio named SJC's Minority Affairs Director

Cristina Nuncio, assistant director for admissions counseling at Loyola University of Chicago since 1986, has been named director of minority affairs here at Saint Joseph's.

Her duties include the administration of extracurricular and counseling support programs for Saint Joseph's estimated 50 minority students, plus assistance in their academic, social, and cultural progress and in the recruitment of minority students.

Ms. Nuncio received a bachelor of arts degree in history from Loyola in 1980 and a master's degree in human services administration

from Spertus College (Chicago) in 1989. She also studied at St. Louis University in Madrid, Spain, in 1979.

At Loyola, she developed a minority student recruitment plan that included links with secondary school counselors and community agencies such as the Chicago Urban League, Project College Bound, and the League of United Latin American Citizens. Much of her work involved advising minority students, and she administered an admissions program for educationally and economically disadvantaged students.

## SJC Art Lecturer to visit Japan

Bonita Zimmer, SJC lecturer in art, will soon be on her way to Japan. She has been selected as one of five delegates of Indiana Art Educators to travel to Kyoto as part of an ongoing cultural exchange program with the Japanese Art Education Association. The trip will last approximately two weeks, with an opportunity to see Japa-

Mrs. Zimmer. "I can't decide if I'm more excited about seeing Japanese schools, with their outstanding curricula, or about seeing the art and architecture of Kyoto!"

Mrs. Zimmer was a presenter at the recent Art Education Assn. of Indiana's Annual Conference and also was a panelist for The Visiting Artist Program adjudication for the Indiana Arts Commission.

Well respected as the creator of unusual handwoven fiber baskets, among other things, Mrs. Zimmer received the Juror's Award at the 1990 Salon Show of the Northern Indiana Arts Association in October and the Gary Artists League Award at Art Comp '90, an exhibition at the Chesterton (Ind.) Art Gallery in September.



Bonita Zimmer

nese educators who had visited Indiana last October.

"I'm thrilled to have been chosen as a delegate," says



Cristina Nuncio  
(photo by Mary Ellen Cross)

## Jennings cited for work in developmental education

Diane Jennings, director of counseling services at Saint Joseph's College, was presented with an award during the fall convention of the Indiana Association for Developmental Education. Mrs. Jennings was awarded a plaque for outstanding service to students during 1989-90. She was nominated for the award by Billie Manor, president of the developmental education organization. She has been a member of this group since it was founded in 1985. Member schools convene twice a year and work with each other to develop ways to better meet students' needs.

## New Measure off the press



The staff of the 1990-1991 *Measure*

*Measure*, the on-campus literary magazine for more than 50 years, has been an annual production for some 15 or 20 years now. But this academic year there will be two issues, and the first has hit the streets.

Compiled by editor-in-chief Sheila Gemperle, *Measure* offers a wide variety of reading, from a poem paying tribute to blues guitarist Stevie Ray

Vaughan to "A New Psalm." It also includes the fictional account of a murder that just happens to take place on a Midwestern campus with a church having two towers and a vice president for academic affairs named John Nixx.

This year John Groppe departs as faculty advisor and is being replaced by Bob Garrity. Both are quick to point out

that, as has been the policy all along, the staff welcomes contributions from alumni, both those who used to write for *Measure* and those who are trying out their writing skills for the first time. Poetry is preferred over fiction, but only because *Measure* has a limited number of pages and fiction takes up space.

There are no copies available of the first issue of the 1990-1991 year, but you can request a copy of the upcoming issue by writing to *Measure*, P.O. Box 904, Saint Joseph's College, Rensselaer, IN 47978. There is no charge for the magazine. "Just give generously to the Alumni Fund," recommends Groppe.

Use the same address if you would like to submit your writing for publication. But you must act fast to contribute to the spring issue. Deadline for submissions is mid-March, or as close to the first of the month as possible.

## New members named to SJC Board of Trustees

Nine persons have been appointed to the Saint Joseph's College Board of Trustees since summer of 1990:

**Mary Lou Murphy**, director of dietetic services at Wabash Valley Hospital, Inc., in West Lafayette, Ind. Mrs. Murphy graduated from St. Mary-of-the-Woods College, and her husband Jim is a 1965 graduate of SJC.

**Martin Holleran**, president and chief executive officer of Thomson Consumer Electronics Sales & Marketing for the Americas in Indianapolis. Mr. Holleran holds a B.S. from the University of Scranton (Pa.) and a master's from the University of Delaware.

Mr. Holleran visited SJC in the spring of 1990 as a guest speaker in the college's Executive in Residence Program.

In addition, seven members of the Society of the Precious Blood have been named to the Board. They are:

**Fr. Ben Berinti**, C.P.P.S., a member of the staff at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. He is a 1980 graduate of SJC.

**Bro. Thomas R. Bohman**, C.P.P.S., who is assigned to Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Cleveland. He is a 1972 SJC graduate.

**Fr. Dennis Kinderman**, C.P.P.S., an associate campus minister at SJC and a 1963 SJC graduate.

**Fr. Howard Lesch**, C.P.P.S., of the Diocese of Pensacola, Fla. He is a 1941 SJC graduate.

**Fr. James McCabe**, C.P.P.S., who is stationed at Immaculate Conception Church in Celina, Ohio. He is a 1953 graduate of SJC.

**Fr. Kenneth Pleiman**, C.P.P.S., who is serving at Saint James the Less Church in Columbus, Ohio, is the Provincial, Cincinnati Province, and is a 1962 SJC graduate.

**Fr. Clarence Williams**, C.P.P.S., who is assigned to St. Anthony Church in Detroit. He is a 1973 SJC graduate.

**Richard K. Ransom**, who was a Trustee, has been made a Trustee Emeritus.

## New summer church music/liturgy instructors

Three new instructors will join the 1991 summer faculty of SJC's church music/liturgy program, directed by Fr. Lawrence Heiman, C.P.P.S. Their areas of expertise are organ, guitar, and conducting.

Dr. Philip Gehring, Fellow of the American Guild of Organists, is professor emeritus of organ at Valparaiso Univ. and presently teaches at Yale Univ. He will teach organ and organ literature.

Stephen Miller of Mishawaka is a concert guitarist and teaches advanced guitar students and prospective solo performers in the South Bend area. He will teach guitar, guitar literature, and guitar pedagogy.

Bradford Gee, doctoral candidate in choral conducting

and music literature at Illinois University, will conduct SJC's summer chorus and will teach graduate courses in conducting and music history.

Offerings of the 1991 summer session, from June 18 to Aug. 1, will include a wide variety of music and liturgy courses, plus a mini session in the Historical and Theological Perspectives of Christian Worship, June 17-29, conducted by Fr. James Challancin, diocesan dir. of worship, Marquette, Mich. His doctorate is from the Anselmianum, Rome.

Other members of the 1991 staff include the full-time members of Saint Joseph's music faculty (James Earnest, Anne-Marie Egan, Dr. John B. Egan, Fr. Lawrence Heiman, C.P.P.S., and Fr. Ralph Verdi,

C.P.P.S.), three returning visiting instructors (Sr. Marilyn Schauble, O.S.B., and Sr. Charlotte Zalot, O.S.B., liturgy and music directors at Mt. St. Benedict Monastery, Erie, Penn., and Sr. Marguerite Streifel, O.S.B., director of the Crookston, Minn., Diocesan Office of Worship). Returning as Fr. Heiman's assistant will be Sr. Paula Napoli, S.S.J., Minister of Music at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Baltimore.

The 1991 session will be the 32nd consecutive summer session of the program, initiated and still directed by Fr. Heiman. Requests for further information should be addressed to him.

## Egan calls former choir members to sing March 24

Attention, all choir members! Do you remember singing Professor John Egan's *An American Requiem* sometime during your college career? Want to sing it again?

Palm Sunday, March 24, 1991, at 7:00 p.m., a performance in the SJC Chapel will mark the 25th anniversary of Egan's composition, written for the Tenth Annual Indiana Catholic College Choral Festival, March 29, 1966. The requiem has since been sung throughout Europe on various SJC choir tours.

The concert will include the premiere of a short new work

by Fr. Ralph C. Verdi, C.P.P.S., that is dedicated to the College chorus on the occasion of Saint Joseph's centennial, and several other short pieces. The present choir will be joined by the New Haven (Ind.) High School choir, Rensselaer's Central High School choir, and the SJC stage band.

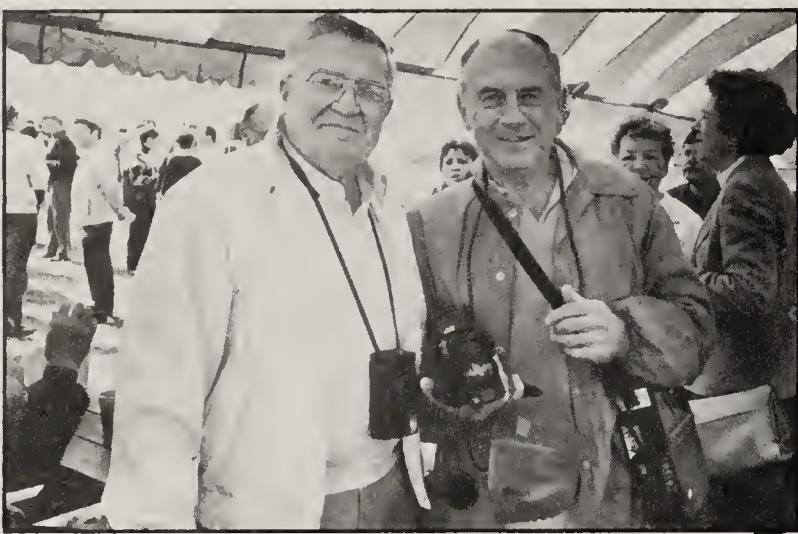
Professor Egan issues an enthusiastic invitation to join

in the festivities. SJC chapel robes will be provided, and practice begins at 3:30 in the Chapel. No RSVP is required.



Glee Club and Chorus alumni joined the Egans at Homecoming for a morning of song. First row (left to right): Denise Brown Klaus '80, Mary K. Bergman '79, Krisztina Bardos Inskeep '80, the Egans, Jim Young '75, Juanita Berg Piercy '82, and David Piercy. Second row: John Klaus, Peggy Knueve; Third row: Ann Blacker Kirshner '71, Mrs. James Traub, Paul Michael Stardust '70, Mary Ann Dreiling '71, Milly Dreiling Young '75, Anne-Cecile Egan Thorndyke '81, Annette Klinker '87. Fourth row: Greg Wilkins '77, James Traub '75, Donald Knueve '68, Dr. R. Gordon Klockow, Marcella Dreiling Cameron '74, Jay Cameron, Patricia Madden Mitchum '75. Fifth row: Tom Grzesik '69, Fr. L. Heiman '40, Fr. Ralph Verdi '68, David Findley '80, John Mitchum '75.

# Homecoming 1990!



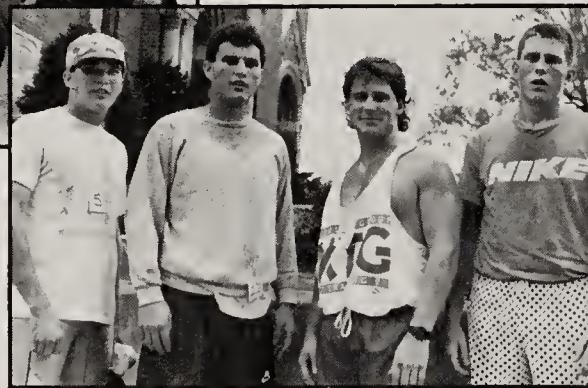
Charles Ploszek '47, mayor of Bedford Park, Ill. (left), and Frank Staucet '47, Albany, N.Y.



Bill "Pumpkinhead" Edinger '90, left, and Jim Eccher '88 talk to students during the first annual alumni baseball game.



The Alumni/Student Run began at 9:30 a.m. behind Bennett Hall.



And the winners were (left to right): junior Paul Miller, first-place student and overall first; Kevin Quinn '88, first-place alum and overall third; John Atha '87, second-place alum; and freshman Josh Hauser, second-place student and overall second.



The Dreiling sisters pose on the Chapel steps at their first SJC reunion. Left to right, Mary Ann Dreiling '71, Oakland, Calif., Sally Dreiling Cameron '74, Hoxie, Kansas; Milly Dreiling Young '75, Naperville, Ill. Their father was the late Norbert Dreiling '38, and their uncles Fr. Marcellus Dreiling '30 and Fr. Boniface Dreiling '33 taught at Saint Joseph's College for many years.



Spectators watch a SJC varsity football game against Valparaiso.



Class of '65 Friday Cookout (left to right): Janet Bendel and Charlie Brinkman '65, Joe '65 and Mary Louise Mazzarella, and Ken Dockus '65.

(Right to left) Dick Vallin '59, who was coordinator of the Beer and Brat Tent, Mike Vallone '60, and Bill McGuire '66 grill up a barbecue full of bratwurst for a hungry throng.



(Clockwise around table): Gerald McCarthy '44, John Frawley '51, Jack Peffer '47, Charlie Ploszek '47, and Jim Buckley '48 converse in the shade of the Brat Tent.

"As many of you know, we had an outstanding Homecoming celebration. Approximately 2500 returned to campus to visit with friends and faculty and to join in the festivities. We thank you and plan to use this experience as the basis of this year's Centennial Homecoming. To this end, we would appreciate your ideas on how we can make your return to campus even more enjoyable. Please take the time to help us do a better job for you. Send your ideas and comments to Martha Mills, Alumni Director, Saint Joseph's College, P.O. Box 870, Rensselaer, IN 47978. We will respond to every suggestion. And, by whatever means, plan to block out September 27-29 for Centennial Homecoming."

John Carey '60  
Alumni Association President



Coach Bill Reagan presents Rudy Volz Memorial Award to Jimmy Allen, voted MVP of Homecoming Game.



Ellen Zorn Brichetto '81 and Tom Emerson '81, both of Chicago.



Ron Geleott '65 and Judy Geleott at the luau buffet. Ron is newly appointed assistant vice president for facilities and planning at Saint Joe's.

# Centennial Activities

## The Celebration Continues

Alumni and friends in Louisville, Indianapolis, and Cincinnati joined in the celebration of 100 years as College President Charles Banet, C.P.P.S., Inge Erickson, Director of Development, and Martha Mills, Director of Alumni Relations, took the College on the road. The three November events were the second wave of Centennial dinners. Beginning last May and continuing throughout 1991, alumni, parents, and friends of SJC have the chance to join us as we celebrate our rich history and the beginning of the next 100 years.

Dinners for 1991 include St. Petersburg, Florida, on January 31; Chicago, February 26 and 28; South Bend, March 13; Fort Wayne, April 11; Northwest Indiana, April 23; and Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in April. Several additional cities are slated for the fall. More news on those in the next issue of *Contact*.

Alumni, parents and friends joining us in November

were:

**Louisville, Kentucky, November 13, at the Jefferson Club:** Jack '60 and Janice Finnegan; Ken '49 and Rose Forsthoefel; Ed '56 and Margy Hennekes; Norbert '52 and Jane Hummel; Jim '43 and Alice McDonnell; Jim '61 and Esther McMahon; Jim '40 and Floy Meagher; Jane Jankowski Treckman '81; Art '40 and Mary Jane Voll; and Bill '61 and Alice Walsh.

**Indianapolis, Indiana, November 15, at the Marott:** Tom '87 and Kathy Bewsey; Scott and Virginia Browning; Joseph Carey '68; Dan Casey '60; Andrew Davey '52; Hugh Davey '47; Tim Downey '87; Fred and Patty Gause; John Gause '84 and Susan Maginn; Dan '76 and Brenda Harbor; Steve and Anna Harris Hastings '78; Larry Jacob '85 and Sandy Bruns; Ralph and Bonnie Jacob; Patrick and Karen Davis Marks '77; David '64 and Betty Moebs;

Sylvester '27 and Jeannette Moebs; Keila Naylor '75 and Roderick Johnson; Angie Neuner '85 and Helen Adams; Bob '71 and Jane Neville; Cathy O'Conner; Paul '52 and Rita O'Connor; Ann O'Hara '85; Fr. George Plaster '73; Frank '77 and Trish Sergi; Joe and Roseanne Sergi; Steve '85

*Louisville alumni enjoy the evening celebrating the Centennial at the Jefferson Club.*



and Anita Sergi; Jeff Taylor '77; Phil Wilhelm '63; Keith and Bonnie Ritzi '85 Wood; Helena '86 and Mike Davis; Bill and Diane Jennings; Mary Ann Meyer; Frank Slaby; and Fr. Paul White '54.

**Cincinnati, Ohio, November 27, the Museum Center at the Union Terminal:** Roger '75 and Jan Ames; Mary K. Bergman '79; Annie and Chet Caulkins; Eric and Anne Scollard Fredrickson '79; Jim Gudmens '73; Regina Hanley '83; David Hanley; Mary Ann Meyer; Dennis '73 and Kathie Neff; Amy Schultz '90; Rose Scollard '84; Regina Scollard; Jane Hils Shea '75; Jim '50 and Carmelita Stang; Tom Stautberg '90; Charles Teaney '50; and Greg Wilkins '77.

*(From left to right) Greg Wilkins '77, Rose Scollard '84, Anne Scollard Fredrickson '79, and Mary K. Bergman '79 join Fr. Charles Banet, C.P.P.S. '50, at the Cincinnati Centennial Dinner Nov. 27.*



Anna Harris Hastings '78, Ann O'Hara '85, Kathy Bewsey, Tom Bewsey '87, Phil Wilhelm '63, Dan Harbor '76, Brenda Harbor, and Steve Hastings following their Indianapolis Centennial Dinner on November 15.



# Chapter News

## Fort Wayne

The Centennial Dinner for the Fort Wayne Alumni Chapter will be held on **Thursday, April 11**, at the Pine Valley Country Club. A social hour will begin at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:00. Fr. Charles Banet will be the dinner speaker. Martha Mills, Dir. of Alumni and Parent Relations, will also be attending. Details are included with the invitations, in the mail soon.

If anyone has questions or ideas regarding this event or future Fort Wayne Chapter events, call Angela Riebenack Jehl '86, 219/461-6078.

## Chicago

The Chicago Club has scheduled a full array of events for 1991. Each event is chaired by a member of the Club's Board of Directors, and anyone interested in working on that particular event is encouraged to contact that chairperson.

**March 16:** SJC alumni will again have a spot in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in downtown Chicago. Joe Dillon '76 is chairing this event. Last year, alumni from Detroit, Kansas City, Indianapolis, and Milwaukee joined those of us from Chicago to properly honor this Great Saint. Joe has made arrangements with the Marriott Hotel for rooms for out-of-towners. For information, call him at 312/258-5454.

**June 20:** Alumni Golf Outing, Oak Meadows Golf Club in Elmhurst. This event, chaired by Tim Buckley '73, was attended last year by alums from the '40s, '50s, '60s, '70s, and '80s. This year we hope to see '90s alumni! Join us for a great day of golf and fun! For further information, call Tim at 708/358-8590.

## Mid-July: Alumni/Friends/

Student Picnic will be held on the 13th, 14th, 20th, or 21st. Bill McGuire '66 and Ted Scudder '75 were in line at the Cook County Building all night Jan. 1 (what were the rest of us doing?) to apply for our Park Permit. Although we do not yet have the permit, we are confident we will receive one of the dates we applied for, so please provisionally mark off the dates. A notice will be sent to Chicago alumni and parents of the date and location well in advance so we all can enjoy an afternoon this July. For further info, please call Bill at 312/616-3305.

**August 4:** The White Sox v. Baltimore Orioles in New Comiskey Park will be the scene of one of Chicago's Centennial events. Many tickets have been set aside for alumni/parents/friends/students of SJC for this game. Tom O'Brien '69 is chairing this event, and tickets are on sale now! Seats are in the upper deck and are \$8.00 each. Bring your family and friends! For information, call Tom at 312/201-3010.

**Early August:** Dan Lapinski's Incoming Freshman Picnic will again be hosted at Dan's home in Mt. Prospect. For the last several years Dan '86 has invited all Chicago area incoming freshmen and their parents to this picnic held at his home. Many thanks to Dan and his parents for their gracious hospitality. Notices will be sent to each freshman this summer with the details. For information, call Dan at 708/299-9500.

**November 30:** Annual Holiday Party will again be held at Red Kerr's in downtown Chicago. Last year's party was

the greatest ever, and Chairmen Tom '83 and Donna '84 Mastandrea are planning for a repeat this year. Please plan on joining us all for this great holiday gathering with old and new friends. As in the past, the party is preceded by Mass at Old St. Patrick's Church. For further information call Donna at 312/282-6363.

**Our Annual Meeting on October 2** again will be at Red Kerr's. Be sure to attend and vote for vice president to succeed Joe Dillon, who became president.

We hope you can be with us at these events and look forward to seeing you. Call a friend and plan to come along to any one or all of them. Again, if you feel interested in helping any of the mentioned chairmen, please contact them or Tom O'Brien at 312/201-3010.

## Northwest Indiana

Alumni, students, and parents cheered the Pumas on in their November 24 game with Purdue-Calumet University. The game was a close one, with the Pumas losing in overtime. The game was videotaped and shown in delayed broadcast on several cable channels in NW Indiana and Chicago. Half-time interviews were done with Father Banet and Jim Quinn '63. The hope of the regional and national alumni boards was that airing this tape would lead to a greater regional awareness of Saint Joe's.

The Northwest Indiana Centennial Dinner is scheduled for April 23 at the Strongbow Inn in Valparaiso. Cocktails will begin at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner and the program at 7:00. Invitations with more information will soon be in the mail.

## Chapter News, cont.

### Cincinnati

The Cin-Day (Cincinnati and Dayton!) steering committee did an excellent job with the November Centennial Dinner—see related article. Thanks go to alumni Mary K. Bergman '79, Greg Wilkins '77, Rose Scollard '84, and Anne Scollard Fredrickson '79.

Cincinnati alumni and parents came out to cheer the Pumas on to victory as the men's basketball team defeated Northern Kentucky University on Jan. 10. Following the game, fans met with the team during a gathering at the NKU Alumni House.

The steering committee is planning a summer picnic for

June 23 at the Council Bluff Shelter at Sharon Woods. The shelter is close to the park's historical village, playground, fitness and hiking trails, fishing and boating, and a good area for fossiling. Invitations will be in the mail soon.

### Indianapolis

The last few months have been busy ones for the Indianapolis chapter. On November 15th at the Centennial Dinner, Steve Sergi '85 accepted Indianapolis's official chapter charter. This charter, reviewed and accepted by the national alumni board and presented to the chapter, will act as a guide to fulfill the goals and objectives of the national and local alumni boards.

The SJC men and women Pumas triumphed over the University of Indianapolis

Greyhounds on Jan. 12. Alumni and friends celebrated these victories at a post-game party at the southside Knights of Columbus. The K of C was filled to capacity with this happy crew, and many thanks go out to Angie Neuner '85 for her organization of the event.

Upcoming events include an early June golf outing and a mid-August picnic for alumni, parents, and current and new area students. More details will be in the mail this spring and summer. If you would like to help with either of these events, contact Jeff Taylor '77 at 317/787-7314(h) or 317/848-1500(w) for golf, or Ann O'Hara '85 at 317/255-6867(h) or 317/232-6584(w) for the picnic. For more general questions, suggestions, or comments, call Steve Sergi, chapter president, at 317/259-4135(h) or 317/927-4365(w).

## Parents Weekend great success!

Parents had the chance to be students again as they returned to campus last October for Parents Weekend. Friday classes were open to parents with a yen to see what goes on in SJC classrooms, and on Saturday several seminars were offered by faculty members. Faculty were also available mid-day for an informal gath-

ering with parents and students. A number of "non-academic" options were popular on Saturday, including socializing at the brat tent, cheering the Pumas on in their game with Hillsdale, posing for a family portrait, viewing Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap," and dining with sons and daughters that evening.

The executive committee of the Parents' Council worked with the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations to expand the Parents Weekend program. The time was deemed a success, so expect to see more events and opportunities at Parents Weekend 1991.



(Left to right) John Maxin, Louise Maxin, Sean Rowden '94, Lisa Maxin '94, and Steve Myszak '94.



Stephanie Primeau '93 and roving artist Frank Birdsall.

**Mark your calendars now:  
October 18-20!**

# Alumni Profiles

## Tom Kelly promotes peace through football

He calls himself an "international drifter." And a reporter from the *Springfield (Ohio) News-Sun* calls him "the Indiana Jones of football." For several years now Tom Kelly, who graduated from Saint Joe's in 1980 with a degree in International Relations, has been spending his time organizing football games and teams in such places as Hong Kong and Moscow.

A November article by the *News-Sun*'s sports editor Tim Bucey describes Mr. Kelly's experiences/escapades.

For instance, he appeared on the cover of *TV and Entertainment Times* with two oriental football players to promote the first-ever football game in Hong Kong between the minor league San Jose Bandits and the Seattle Warhawks.

He has a video of an intra-squad scrimmage game between members of the Moscow Bears that was televised in the Soviet Union. Actually, he had been contacted by a Soviet Rugby Foundation to help organize an American Football Federation and to plan the Moscow Bears, which were excellent athletes—with rugby training. The team members boasted to Kelly that they'd win the Super Bowl by the year 2000. According to Bucey's article, Mr. Kelly said he was the head coach until the KGB, stepped in.

"They said, 'Who are you to tell world class athletes what to do and you're an American?'" Mr. Kelly was quoted as saying. "They say you never played in the NFL and were just an assistant college coach."

It is true, Mr. Kelly served as a volunteer assistant in 1985 at Saint Joe's to prepare himself as a football coach. He also was an organizer of two semi-pro teams, the Springfield (Ohio) Sun Devils and a team in Merrillville, Indiana, the *News-Sun* article reports. While with the Sun Devils, Mr. Kelly tried to bring his gridiron diplomacy to his hometown by staging a game with a West German team at Evans Stadium. Negotiations broke down at the last minute, and it never came off.

According to Bucey's article, Mr. Kelly currently is affiliated with Atlanta-based Perestroika Joint Venture, which is attempting to attract investors for a business-living complex in Russia. He represents only himself in these football adventures, finding sponsors along the way to back him.

## Alumni-Varsity Football Game Scheduled for April

**Varsity players ask:  
"Alumni,  
are you ready?"**

In January of 1990, the NCAA outlawed contact in spring ball practice for all NCAA Division II schools. In January of 1991, the NCAA allowed contact back for spring practices.

This means that there will be a 1991 Alumni Game, and it is set for April 20, 1991, at 1:30 p.m. If there are any further questions, contact the Football Office at 219/866-6222.

Bill Reagan '74, SJC's head football coach, says, "I would first say that we are extremely happy to have the alumni game back. It's been a great source for us to be able to stay in touch with our football

alumni. We'd like to see if the year off has hurt any of the alumni's potential to play football, and if not, we challenge them to come back out and see if they can give us a game!"



Alumni from the previous game

## Saint Joe grad investigates the state of the environment in Czechoslovakia



Peter Warner, right, takes time out for sightseeing with Wayne State University chemical and metallurgical engineering director Dr. Ralph Kimmier. In the background is Prague's famed Charles Bridge, which dates back to the 14th century.

Czechoslovakia has pollution similar to that experienced in downriver Detroit during the late 1960s and early '70s, before controls and monitoring were instituted. But Peter Warner '59 is optimistic about that country's attempts to work with its environmental problems.

Dr. Warner, who has a doc-

torate in chemistry from Wayne State University, is chief of the technical services section of the Air Pollution Control Division of the Wayne County (Michigan) Health Department and teaches in the occupational/environmental health program at Wayne State University. A recent article from the

*Grosse Pointe (Michigan) News* reported that he and four colleagues toured Czechoslovakia for two weeks in August of 1990, at the request of the Czechs who were seeking assistance in helping to solve environmental problems.

As the extensive article by Assistant Editor John Minnis explained, the group discovered that the Czechs have elaborate flood-control systems and are banning the use of phosphate cleaners. They have an extensive air monitoring program throughout the country and modern control devices on smokestacks and other air pollution sources.

That equipment, however, has suffered from poor maintenance practices. Although their present fuel source is lignite, which is considered very dirty as far as pollution is concerned, the Czechs want to use more natural gas and, ultimately, nuclear and hydroelectric power.

The piece also reported the recent passage of a clean air bill similar to the one passed by our Congress.

The Czechs are eager to acquire new pollution-control technology in an effort to fight pollution head on. Dr. Warner and his colleagues were impressed with the pollution controls that were already in place. Dr. Warner said that, although "a few of their methods could use improvement in spots, they were pretty much up to date."

**Mark your calendars!!**

**Homecoming 1991: September 27-29**

**Parents Weekend 1991: October 18-20**

# 100 Years!

"From tiny acorns grow mighty oaks," writes the introduction to the Saint Joseph's College Centennial Calendar. "From a small student body of 54 in 1891, Saint Joseph's College has grown to one of more than 1000 in this its centennial year. In place of the three programs of study when it first began, students now have 52 from which to choose."

One hundred years is a lot of history, so we have chosen to describe on the following pages seven events that seem to be especially noteworthy. Many of you will remember, perhaps dimly, the details.

Saint Joseph's College's one hundred years of history have been recorded in fascinating detail, not only on the Centennial Calendar, which present photographs, specific historical events, and a listing of Centennial events for each month, but also in two books that have been used extensively for the formation of the following pages. A more detailed description of each book can be found in the Fall 1990 issue of *Contact*. *Saint Joseph's College, Rensselaer, Indiana: A Centennial Pictorial History, from Its Beginnings to 1990*, was written and compiled by Dominic B. Gerlach, C.P.P.S., under the auspices of the Saint Joseph's College Centennial Committee as a companion to Father Charles Robbins' *Saint Joseph's College: A Chronology*, first published in 1983 and updated for the Centennial. The descriptions on the following pages have been excerpted, often verbatim, from these publications, and many photographs were provided by Fr. Gerlach.

All three publications are available from the SJC Bookstore. The *Pictorial* sells for \$39.95; add \$2 for shipping. The *Chronology* is available for \$5.95, plus \$1.50 shipping. The *Calendar*'s price is \$10.00, plus \$1.00 shipping. (If ordering more than one book, a maximum of \$2.00 shipping will be charged.) Payment can be made by check, money order, Visa, or Mastercard. Indiana residents must add 5% sales tax to all purchases. Send your orders, with your name and address clearly printed (so they may be used as a mailing label) to: College Bookstore, Saint Joseph's College, Box 950, Rensselaer, IN 47978.

# 100 Years!



Varsity team, 1934-35 (left to right): top row: Joseph Leuterman, John Downey, Albert Van Nevel, Albert Ottenweller, Robert Hatton, Cyril Gaffney, Edward Hession, Raymond DeCook (coach); bottom row: James O'Connor, Edward Andres, Richard Scharf, and Eugene Beeler.

Basketball was introduced to Saint Joseph's College in the second semester of 1903, and when the new gymnasium opened in 1905, the game got going in a big way. But it was not until 1970 that the team received a bid to play in the Great Lakes Regional of the NCAA College Division Basketball Tournament. The team won its first two games, but lost the third. Again in 1974 the team received an invitation to participate. The team, led by Jim Thordsen, once again won the first two games but lost the third. For the third time, in 1975, the team accepted an invitation to the NCAA post-season tournament. This time they won the first game, but lost the second. The same thing happened in 1976, and in 1979 they tried again, only once more to lose the third game.

1976 was the first year that women's basketball team played teams from other colleges. They tried for the championship in 1979, but lost their third game. The Great Lakes Regional Tournament Championship was theirs in 1988 and 1989, but the national championship continued to elude them.

James Thordsen '75 of Puerto Rico was the most celebrated of the Puma individual players. He played on the Puerto Rican team at the Olympics in Munich in 1972 and again in Montreal in 1976, and was also elected to the Saint Joseph's College Hall of Fame. Jeannette Yeoman '90, however, surpassed Thordsen's record by becoming the highest scorer (2,279 points) in the history of the College.

# 100 Years!

The cornerstone of the Chapel was laid in 1909. The 1908-09 Catalog promised that it would "no doubt, be one of the finest college churches in the country."

It was dedicated a year later. Not everything was completed by dedication day, however. It took about a year for the large paintings and ten stained glass windows to arrive from Europe, and then workers had difficulty fitting them into place.

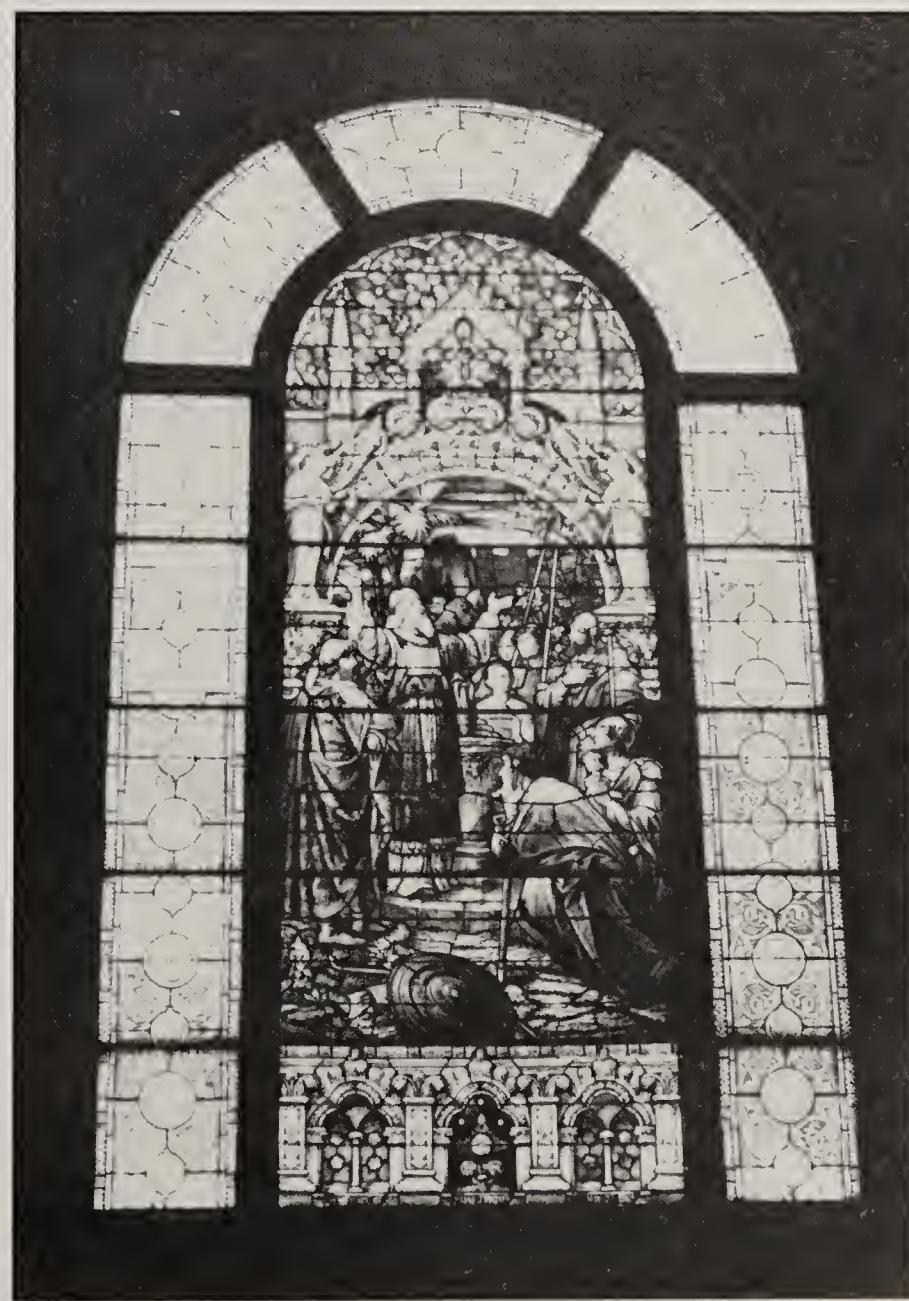
The bells were installed in June of 1919. Each bears an inscription in Latin honoring the Precious Blood. The Seth Thomas Tower Clock, which activates the bells every quarter of an hour, was installed in 1920.

Final cost of the building (including the attached convent and laundry) was \$100,000. \$60,000 of that was borrowed from the Massachusetts Life Insurance Company, using the College property as security.

During the summer of 1965 changes were made to the chapel that reflected the liturgical reforms of Vatican Council II. All the altars were removed from the sanctuary including the high altar. The altars in the nave and the communion rail had been previously removed, and a new altar was installed to occupy the middle of the sanctuary alone. Because

of the disfigurements left in the sanctuary when the altars were removed, the entire chapel had to be repainted and re-decorated, but sufficient funds weren't available for that job for another ten years.

"While some of the older alumni regretted any changes in the traditional appearance of the Chapel," writes Robbins, "most people thought the renovation not only greatly improved the aesthetics of the building, but also made it more conducive to prayer and worship."



# 100 Years!

College radio has been around Saint Joe's for longer than we may think. The 1922 *College Cheer* reports that SJC had

"one of the finest radio outfits in any educational institution in the Middle West.... In addition to the connection on the basketball gallery, which will ensure the reports of athletic and ephemeral news, there will be an installment in Alumni Hall for musical concerts and other items of interest. It is hoped that concerts will be a regular feature."

As for radio from the "outside world," it was not until 1937 that students in Drexel Hall were allowed to have radios in their rooms, while those living in Science Hall didn't have that privilege.

An experimental test radio station made its debut on campus March 7, 1957, in Seifert Hall. It operated through the electrical circuits extending to all the buildings on campus, but did not at that time broadcast over the air. A short time later the station moved into the publications building, where it



(Top) Clark Davoust at the control board of SJC's new radio station in Seifert Hall, from a 1957 Stuff. (Bottom) WPUM in 1991.

remained until 1982. Regular campus-wide broadcasting, however, didn't begin until 1966.

WSJC (the next semester it would become WOWI after it was learned that a station in the south was called WSJC) began regular broadcasting in the second semester, with a full program of music, news,

interviews, and other items of general interest. There was still no broadcasting over the air, but signals went to halls on campus through the electrical wiring system.

The new FM campus radio station, with the call letters WPUM, began broadcasting September 7, 1977. It was licensed by the FCC as a non-commercial educational station and broadcast over the air instead of through the electrical cables on campus. It was at this point that the station became a lab for the Communications Department.

# 100 Years!

By 1960, the construction of Halleck Center had become a necessity. Saint Joe's had a record enrollment of 1,100 students that year, and it became obvious that Raleigh Center, familiarly known as the "Rec Hall," was no longer adequate as a student center.

With the assistance of Congressman Charles A. Halleck, a loan for \$1,500,000 from the Housing and Home Finance Agency was obtained for a new building. Halleck, from Rensselaer, had been a friend of the College, served on its Board of Trustees, and lectured on campus. It was decided that the building should be named after him.

An additional loan of \$1,700,000 was procured to help in the construction of Halleck Center and Schwietermann Hall. This brought the total of government subsidized loans at that time to \$2,840,000.

The cornerstone was laid on September 13, 1962, and the occasion was perhaps the biggest celebration ever held on campus. Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower wielded the trowel and delivered the principal speech to some 3,000 guests. In the late afternoon and evening there was a Republican Party rally on the north campus, attended by nearly 25,000 people, the largest

crowd ever assembled on campus. After listening to the political oratory, the people were fed from vast barbecue pits and food counters erected on the practice football field.

Students still didn't use Halleck as frequently as they had the Rec Hall, so in 1980 the Alumni Association provided a \$20,000 gift to the Halleck Student Union Board to cover the renovation and redecoration of the Center's basement and snack bar area. With the murals painted around the ballroom, the funding for which was organized by the Women's Activities Committee, and the furniture and furnishings for the north and south lounges provided from a \$42,000 gift from the Parents Association, Halleck Center became more comfortable and welcoming.

(From left to right) President Dwight D. Eisenhower, U.S. Congressman Charles Halleck, and Fr. Raphael Gross, SJC president.



# 100 Years!

The computer age came to Saint Joseph's in the fall of 1966 with the installation of the IBM 1130 system, designed both for instructional and administrative purposes. The Registrar's Office used the system first, with punched cards for registration and the distribution and recording of grades.

Nine machines constituted the system that was housed in a "computer center" located in the old carpenter shop. Saint Joseph's facility was soon to become a model employment of the IBM 1130, and many colleges came to study the computer setup.

In December of 1976, the College purchased equipment for more extended computer assisted instruction. The new hardware, computer, and terminals, and the necessary software, amounted to about \$70,000. To this was added an-

other \$30,000 to renovate a room next to the existing computer for installation of the new equipment. This facility made it possible to improve instruction not only in the field of computer science but also in other areas of the college curriculum. It also helped promote computer literacy among the faculty.

In 1983, two new computer systems were purchased that had direct access from remote terminals and eliminated need for the time-honored IBM punch cards. In 1987, SJC received a \$500,000 matching grant from the Lilly Endowment on Lilly's "dream of distinction" program. John Nichols, Vice President for Student Affairs, had recommended

to President Father Banet that the College become a computerized campus, and the application was granted on that premise.

The goal of the project, estimated to cost \$1 million, was the networking of faculty offices, student dorm rooms, the library, administration, financial affairs, and colleges and universities throughout the country. When finished, Saint Joseph's College had a "state of the art" system matched by few other small colleges or universities.



Bruce E. Mathew '85, Director of Computing Services, in the heart of SJC's computer center.

# 100 Years!

For the summer school of 1949, by action of the Board of Control (Trustees), other women besides nuns were permitted to enroll at SJC. It would be quite some time, however, before women would be able to live on campus during the regular school year.

Mary Lou Worland was permitted to take six hours of English in 1951, second semester. This was the first time a woman was enrolled for regular classes during the school year. As Fr. Robbins says in his *Chronology*, it was warned that this departure from tradition was not to be considered "a precedent favoring any immediate blossoming out into coeducational status for the College."

By 1959, there were 23 women enrolled. They began to participate more fully in campus activities--leading cheers and attending club meetings.

At its meeting on December 4, 1964, the President's Administrative Council accepted the recommendation of the Development Committee that SJC accept resident women on a coeducational basis. The women would have to live in Rensselaer, however, until there were sufficient numbers of them to open up a hall on campus. In 1967, one wing of the newly built Justin Hall was set aside for women, while the other wing was reserved for men; in time the entire hall would become a women's dormitory. By 1971, Justin was full, and Noll Hall became coed, but ultimately Halas Hall, originally built for men, became another women's dormitory.

A BOUT TEN YEARS AGO, the Saint Joseph's student newspaper published an edition with banner headlines: "Saint Joseph's Becomes Co-educational." It wasn't true. It was an April Fool's hoax, and a good one. In 1956 co-education at Saint Joseph's would have captured the imagination of the thousand or so male students on campus. But it was an impossibility then. No one really believed co-education would ever happen. But in September of 1965, in his first address to the student body as president of the College, Father Charles Banet said he believed there would soon be a co-ed division at Saint Joseph's.

The students gradually adjusted to the thought of girls living on campus. This past September, with the completion of a new dormitory, 125 co-eds were enrolled at Saint Joseph's. They were greeted, not always warmly, by 1300 young men. We have devoted much of this issue of *Contact* to the co-ed, to the adjustments she has made and to the adjustments the College has made in adapting to her. There have been problems, and probably more problems in the offing. We hope to tell you about them in this issue. And we want to tell you about the girls in our life, how we feel about them and how they feel about us.

In 1976, a woman was for the first time elected Student Association president. Deborah Frantz was joined by two other female SA officers. Women had become more and more involved in student government, class offices, and other leadership positions. Ms. Frantz was followed by Ann O'Hara, Trish Leurck, and, in January of 1991, Jennifer Herman.

# 100 Years!

The most traumatic event in the history of the College occurred on February 4, 1973, when the Administration Building caught fire shortly after midnight. Since it was immediately perceived that the fire, from unknown causes, could not be contained, students and staff worked heroically to remove as many records and other valuables as possible. What academic records were lost were later reproduced from micro-

The institution had lost 68,000 square feet of space containing faculty and administrative offices, 11 classrooms, and meeting and storage rooms. Classes were suspended for a week, while operational bases were rearranged, using Xavier and Gaspar Halls. But the lack of classroom space was severe and would remain so for several years.

There were early plans to rebuild, but there was no clear consensus on what kind of new construction was needed, and the Board of Trustees urged the College to make maximum use of existing space. In the end the decision was made not to replace the old building with a new one.



film copies preserved in a fireproof vault built previously that also contained financial and other institutional records. But some valuables were lost, including faculty books and notes, many of which were irreplaceable.

What could not be expressed in words was the realization that the building, which had at one time practically been the College, and the temporary home for thousands of alumni, was gone.



# Class Notes

## The 1930s

**Rev. Charles J. Kelty '34** celebrated his golden jubilee of priesthood May 18, 1990. He resides in Louisville, Ky.

## The 1940s

**Class of '41:** Bob Conley is hard at work on our 50th reunion scheduled for Homecoming 1991—September 27-29. You'll be hearing more soon, but plan now to attend. Mark this date on your calendars!

**Class of '46:** Be sure to make plans to attend our 45th reunion at Homecoming 1991, September 27-29! If you are interested in helping with networking among the class, contact Martha Mills in the Alumni Office. She can provide a class list for use in letter writing and calling. Plan to get in touch with classmates you would like to see in September.

**C. Thomas Weis '46** has been appointed to the board of directors of the Home Loan Savings Bank in Fort Wayne. He owns and operates the Squire Shop in the Georgetown Shopping Center in Fort Wayne.

## The 1950s

**Class of '51:** Be sure to make plans to attend our 40th reunion at Homecoming 1991, September 27-29! If you are interested in helping with networking among the class, contact Martha Mills in the Alumni Office. She can provide a class list for use in letter writing and calling. Plan to get in touch with classmates that you would like to see in September.

**Terence F. MacCarthy '55,** has finished the year with two exceptionally significant accomplishments. Mr. MacCarthy, who is Federal Defender in Chicago, was unanimously elected by the Council of the American Bar Association's (ABA) Criminal Justice Section to serve in the House of Delegates of the ABA, which is the ABA's governing body. Plus, in December the California Attorneys for Criminal Justice, one of the largest and most active bar associations in the country, acknowledged Mr. MacCarthy for his work with the Chicago Federal Defender office and Federal Defender offices throughout the country, his dedication and commitment to legal education, his successful contributions to

legislation and rule making, and his enthusiastic leadership in criminal justice bar activities by awarding him their annual award "For Significant Sustained Contribution to the Achievement of Criminal Justice."



The Class of 1940 celebrated their 50-year reunion at Homecoming: (from left to right) Front row: Bob Nemetz, Bill Dine, George Sheehan, Jim Fitzmaurice. Back row: Andy Stodola, Fr. Lawrence Heiman, C.P.P.S., John Dunn, Bill Curosh, Fr. Charles Rueve, C.P.P.S.

*Robert Simonis, who attended SJC for two years before attending and graduating from Loyola University in 1950, is featured in a new book. A copy of the book and additional information were provided to us by Jack Peffer '47, who writes,*

"[Simonis] is the main subject in a recently published true war story, *The Coldest War*. The author is James Brady, now of *The New York Times*, and the publisher is Crown Publishers, Inc. Brady was an infantry platoon leader with Bob. I also served with Bob as a platoon leader in a marine company but was evacuated before Brady arrived. The link between Bob and me is that Bob pulled my men and me from a tight spot in the winter of 1951 after I was badly wounded during a night raid against the North Koreans.

"Brady's story recounts many of Bob's exploits. From my experience I can say that Bob Simonis is as brave and as cool under pressure as any man I have ever known."

Mario M. Cuomo, governor of New York, writes on the book jacket, "People say Korea is the forgotten war but Jim Brady, like hundreds of thousands of other Americans and their families, remembers. He gives us a fine, candid story of his year of war as a marine lieutenant—what it was like to win the small battles for a frozen ridge and what it was like to make a mistake and lose his men. The endless courage and sacrifice of ordinary men and women like Jim Brady stops walls from going up and tears them down when they do. Thank God for these people--and that they tell us so clearly what they did and how they did it."

**Class of '56: Be sure to make plans to attend our 35th reunion at Homecoming 1991, September 27-29! If you are interested in helping with networking among the class, contact Martha Mills in the Alumni Office. She can provide a class list for use in letter writing and calling. Plan to get in touch with classmates that you would like to see in September.**

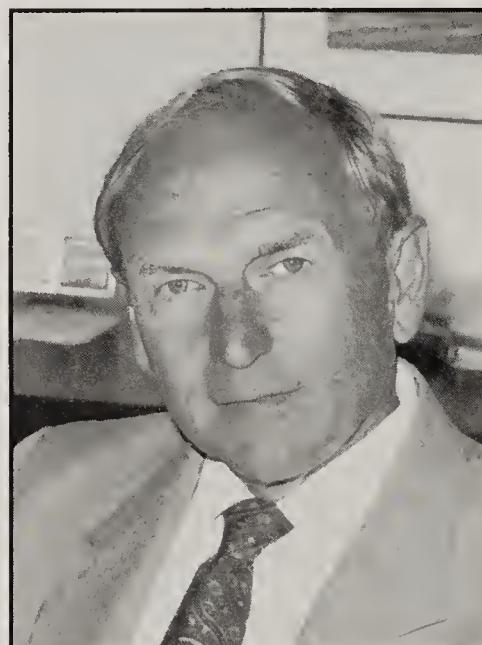


*The Class of '55 looks dapper for their group shot at Homecoming: (from left to right) Front row: Ed Sickel, Tony Gambla, Ray Schuessler, Robert "Buck" Lavender, Jerry Gladu, David Krigbaum, Bob Brandt, Gus Pasquini, Jerry Blaesing. Back row: Bill Gillen, Larry Kelly, John Donnelly, Dick Finnegan, Hugo Pennington, Don Merki, Tom Morgan, Paul Saner, Al Olechna, John Quinn, Pat Reilly, Pete Fenlon.*

**Fred J. Stucker, M.D., '56**, a facial plastic surgeon and fellow of the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, was elected to serve as president commencing Sept. 1991. An active member of the Academy for 19 years, Dr. Stucker has served on a number of Academy committees, serves as the Academy's governor to the American College of Surgeons, and is a past delegate to the American Medical Association. He presently is a

professor and the chairman of the Dept. of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at Louisiana State University School of Medicine and maintains a practice in facial plastic and reconstructive surgery in Shreveport, Louisiana.

**Joseph B. Mihalov '57, CPA**, is a personal and business financial planner with IDS Financial Services, Inc., in Richmond, Va. He has authored several articles on income taxation and chaired and lectured at seminars on various financial matters. He conducts educational seminars on topics that include attaining financial goals through strategic financial planning, minimizing income taxes, effective retirement planning, and financial planning for the small business.



**Robert J. Burian '59** has been promoted to senior vice president-administration at Safety-Kleen Corporation in Elgin, Ill. He will be responsible for the human resource and legal functions within the company. Mr. Burian joined Safety-Kleen in 1986 as vice president-personnel. Prior to that, he had 24 years' experience in the human relations specialty at several industrial companies.

He has also completed graduate studies in business at Loyola University, Chicago, and is currently on the board of directors of both the Elgin Community College Foundation and the Elgin Care Initiative organization.

Mr. Burian and his wife Phyllis are the parents of four grown children and reside in South Barrington, Ill.

**E. Bruce Fech, Ph.D. '59** has been appointed to the Professional Advisory Council for Teacher Education at St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Mich. Dr. Fech is chairman of the Department of Education and Catechesis of the Diocese of Lansing and is in his 18th year as chief education officer for the Diocese.

**Manuel J. Pasquil '59** is presently a music teacher with the DODDS system Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan, and teaches vocal and instrumental music for grades one through twelve at Matthew C. Perry Schools. He will complete his year of novitiate in the Secular Franciscan Order-Sacred Heart Fraternity (at large community) while in Japan.

## *The 1960s*

**Lt. Col. Kenneth J. Schroeder '60, C.P.P.S.**, has been deployed to Saudi Arabia with the 2nd BDE., 1st Armored Division. He was director of seminarians at Saint Joseph's College during 1973-78. He was ordained priest in 1965 and celebrated the 25th anniversary of his ordination last August 5.

**Class of '61:** Be sure to make plans to attend our 30th reunion at Homecoming 1991, Sept. 27-29! If you are interested in helping with networking among the class, contact Martha Mills in the Alumni Office. She can provide a class list for use in letter writing and calling. Plan to get in touch with classmates you would like to see in September.

**William F. Ashburn, Jr., '64** has been transferred to Dublin, Ohio, where he is now the resident examiner in charge for Banc One Corporation. He passed 25 years of government service in May of 1990.

**Class of '66:** Dale Fallat and his committee are working on plans for the big 25TH REUNION this fall. Plan now to come back for this event during Homecoming 1991, September 27-29. You will be receiving more information soon, so get this date on your calendar now! Events for the class begin on Friday afternoon and run through Sunday. Join us for as much of the time as you are able.

**Loretta Abbott Mueller '67** has been granted privileges in counseling on the Medical Affiliate staff of Mary Immaculate Hospital in Newport News, Va. She is one of the first professional counselors to be granted privileges at Mary Immaculate. Prof. Mueller has also been appointed as assistant professor of education at the College of William and Mary in Virginia. As a faculty member, she will be teaching group therapy theory and techniques to graduate students in counseling and school psychology.

**Rodney B. Lechwar '67** has been appointed a full circuit judge by the Illinois Supreme Court. He was an associate

judge for five years and a former assistant state's attorney. He and his wife Mary have a daughter, Katie, and a son, Matthew.



**Donald S. Knueve '68** was recently selected as Defiance College's "Faculty Member of the Year." Dr. Knueve, who is associate professor of criminal justice, was selected by votes from the student body and received the award from the Campus Activities Board during their annual Faculty Recognition Week.

Dr. Knueve began teaching in The Defiance College's criminal justice program in 1978. Previously he was chief probation officer for the Defiance County Juvenile Court. Through his efforts, the criminal justice program at Defiance has received statewide recognition. He has coordinated several workshops for criminal justice professionals on the College's campus.

He currently serves as president of the Ohio Council of Criminal Justice Education and is program chair for the

National Conference on Corrections and Higher Education to be held in Nov. 1991. He is also chairman of the Citizens' Advisory Group for the Northwest Ohio Regional Jail, chairman of the Defiance County Youth Services Advisory Council, and holds memberships in several national criminal justice organizations and local community groups. At the College he is advisor to the Criminal Justice Society and the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

Dr. Knueve received his master's degree in corrections from Xavier University in Cincinnati and was awarded a doctorate degree in criminology last May from Bowling Green State University.



*The Class of 1965 makes an impressive showing at Homecoming: (from left to right) First row: Phil McCauley, Curt Dale, Bob Paetow, Jerry Roseland, John Spindler, Jack Halpin, Ron Geleott, Joe Shimala, Huck Quigley, John Zeiler; Second row: Mike Spain, Jim Hattemer, Joe LePenske, Pablo Couttenye, Terry Sroka, Craig Bolanos, Bob Christopher, Chuck Ryan, Mike Disser, Joe Mazzarella; Third row: John Hartford, Dwayne Hunn, Bob Orlinski, Chuck Brinkman, Jack Corbett, Bill Murphy, Andy Szmagalski, John McLaughlin, Tom Potpora, Jim Murphy; Fourth row: Mickey Baloun, Bill Caul, John Matthys, Michael Jordan, Tom Connell, Ken Dockus, Frank Arvia, Jim Wade, Dave Eckerle.*



The swearing-in ceremony of new Superior Court Judge James Heimann by outgoing judge of the Superior Court, Loren D. Caffee, who is now the judge of the Adams Circuit Court.

**James A. Heimann '64** was elected judge of the Adams Superior Court in Decatur, Ind., in the November election and was sworn in on Dec. 30. He began his six-year term on Jan. 1, 1991.

Mr. Heimann graduated from the I.U. Law School in 1967 with a J.D. degree. He served in the military as a prosecuting attorney in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970. He has had a general practice in Decatur from 1971 to 1990. He was City Attorney from 1972 to 1975 and has been a Public Defender for the past 17 years.

Mr. Heimann married JoAnn M. Heimann '78 and is the father of four children: Kyle 11, Amber 9, Joy 4, and Cory 3. He is the nephew of Fr. Lawrence and Fr. Ambrose Heiman, both emeritus faculty members of Saint Joseph's College.

**Charles F. "Chuck" Chamberlain '69** recently opened the San Francisco branch of JECA. As manager for West Coast Geophysical Services, his responsibilities include geophysical business development of the West Coast and Alaska as well as conducting geophysical surveys and report preparation. Mr. Chamberlain has more than 15 years' experience in marine geologic and geophysical data acquisition and interpretation. He also has extensive experi-

ence in marine search and recovery projects.

**Michael J. DeLaurentis '69** retired from the Navy on July 1, 1990, and now works for Northrop Corp. in Hawthorne, Calif. He and his wife Helen live in Torrance, Calif.

**Mike Guccione '69** has recently retired from a 15-year career with Sam Walton and Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. He and his wife Jackie and son J.J. are currently living on the beach on an island off the Florida coast and can be reached at

1043 N. Casey Key Road, Osprey, FL 34229.

## **The 1970s**

**Class of '71:** Bob Neville and a committee are hard at work on plans for our 20th reunion at Homecoming 1991, September 27-29. If you have any suggestions for the reunion, call Bob at 317/328-4058(w) or 317/842-5618(h). Shortly you will be receiving a class list and a letter detailing reunion plans.

**Your Boat Belowdecks**, authored by Tom Reale '71 and Michael Johnson and published in June 1990 by Hearst Marine Books, was chosen by the Dolphin Book Club as their main selection for Oct., 1990. The book is "a practical guide to the care, repair, and maintenance of belowdeck systems in power and sail-boats... advice that will keep any pleasure boat from becoming a 'misery boat.'" Mr. Reale has worked on boats in Florida, California, Washington, and Alaska for the past 15 years. He and his wife Elaine live in Anchorage, Alaska.

When a tornado passed through the town of Plainfield, Ill., Jim Riley '70 of nearby Orland Park, Ill., was able to put his amateur radio license privileges to good use. About three hours after the storm he was able to drive through the area. Phone lines were down, and he reported via radio on open roads and informed his fellow amateurs on the status of their friends and relatives. He spent the balance of the evening and the next morning handling communications at a Red Cross shelter in neighboring Shorewood and the following day handling communications from a Salvation Army van, learning what supplies were needed at various locations.

Mr. Riley, whose daughter Colleen is a sophomore at Saint Joseph's, earned his Novice amateur radio license (call: KB9CYL) in June of 1989 and upgraded that license to Technician in July of that same year. "Although my part [in helping with the storm's aftermath] was very small compared to the work of the thousands of other volunteers," Mr. Riley writes, "it was still a very gratifying experience. I hope I never have to do it again."

**Jim Drees '73** and his wife Marian have returned from a four-year tour in England, and Mr. Drees has been reassigned to the USAF Hospital in Little Rock, Ark.

**Gary M. Stewart '73** has been promoted to manufacturing manager of the Permonite Division of the Intec Group. He is responsible for all manufacturing operations of the insert molding company. He and his wife Kristy live in Rensselaer.

**Class of '76: September 27-29 is the date for our 15th reunion and Homecoming 1991. Plan to make it back to Saint Joe's for this big event. You'll soon hear more about the plans from Dave and Pat Francel Kunes and a committee of '76ers!**

**Jim Muting '77** has been named chairman of the English Department at De La Salle High School in Chicago, where he has been teaching for 14 years. He lives in Evergreen Park, Ill., with his wife Elaine and his two daughters, Stephanie and Maria.

**Philip J. Peterson '77** joined Kennecott Bros., a wholesale floral distributor, as chief financial officer in September, 1990. He became a CPA in 1988 and a CCM in 1990. He and his wife Donna live in Des Plaines, Ill.

**Anna E. Harris Hastings '78** received a Master of Business Administration degree from Indiana Wesleyan University in May 1990. She also was the recipient of an Outstanding Professional award. This award honors one individual from each LEAP (Leadership Education for Adult Professionals) class, chosen by the class members themselves, who has exemplified leadership, character, integrity, achievement, initiative, coop-

eration, and enthusiasm. Mrs. Hastings is the market manager for Indiana Bell. She and her husband Stephen live in Indianapolis.

**Jon J. Ferguson '79**, a third-generation chiropractor in Indiana, has been appointed by Indiana Governor Evan Bayh to the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners. Dr. Ferguson graduated from Rockville (Ind.) High School, received his pre-professional education at Saint Joseph's, and graduated in 1980 from Palmer College of Chiropractic at Davenport, Iowa. He then returned to Rockville to join his father Edmund in the practice. Dr. Ferguson is president of the Parke County Chamber of Commerce, a member of Rockville Elks, and lector and eucharistic minister at St. Joseph Catholic Church and serves on the board of directors for the American Heart Association.

**Mary Ann Reichert '79, masters '83**, is now teaching social studies and religion at the junior high level at the International School of the Sacred Heart in Tokyo and is immensely enjoying her experience. After teaching for two years in the inner city of Denver, she thinks she died and went to heaven.

### *The 1980s*

**Thomas W. Reichert '80** is doing master's work at Notre Dame, studying peace and justice. During the past several years he has taught peace and justice courses in Grand Junction, Col., and then participated in peace marches in the USSR and also worked with a parish in Nicaragua.

**Agnes Yeung '80** has been promoted to engineering section head at Siliconix, Inc., a

semiconductor company in the Silicon Valley.

**Class of '81: Steve Meyer, Mary Mysliwiec, and Chuck Wolpert** met in December to start planning our 10th reunion at Homecoming 1991, September 27-29. Be on the lookout for a mailing this spring that will contain reunion news and a class list.

**Charles E. Wolpert '81** has joined the certified public accounting firm of Reed & Company, P.C., in Indianapolis, as a manager. He was previously associated with Indianapolis's Whipple and Company, P.C., where he worked in corporate and personal tax planning, preparation, business forecasting, and general consulting.

**Tom Nemanich '83** has been named Great Lakes Regional Sales Mgr. for Pioneer Flour Mills of San Antonio, Tex., and lives in Libertyville, Ill.

**Alice A. Zerr Feeney '84** is currently assistant controller in the Government Division of Associated Insurance Companies, Inc. (dba Blue Cross Blue Shield of Indiana). She has been promoted twice since she joined the company in April 1987. In Sept. 1989 she received from Blue Cross Blue Shield Association recognition for outstanding individual achievement. This award is given nationally to individuals in finance who demonstrate dedication and commitment to the Federal Employee Program. Mrs. Feeney is pursuing an MBA at Butler University. She and husband Michael reside in Brownsburg, Ind., and have been married six years.

**Kevin J. Link '84** has been named property underwriting mgr. for Safeco Insurance Co.'s Chicago Branch, located in Hoffman Estates, Ill.

## Alumni Admissions Referral Form

If you know of any high school students who would be interested in receiving more information on Saint Joseph's College, please complete this form and return it to Kathryn E. Egan, Director of Admissions, Box 890, Saint Joseph's College, Rensselaer, IN 47978.

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Year of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Academic and Extracurricular Interests (please list):  
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Sgt. Thomas L. Patrick '84  
was deployed to Saudi Arabia  
on Labor Day, 1990.

Anna Hatfield '85 received her master's degree in educational administration from Southwest Texas State University in Aug., 1990. She is currently completing a year-long administrative internship at Mathews' Elementary in Austin, Texas.

Robert Hubler, Jr., '85 has been named controller of Indiana Desk in Jasper, Ind. He, his wife and three children moved to Jasper in Oct. 1990.

Laurie Elish-Piper '85 recently joined the Education Dept. of Charter Hospital of Northwest Indiana. She is an academic therapist who provides educational experiences for patients on the Child Unit. She also serves as a liaison between the area schools and the hospital, is a member of the hospital's Speakers Bureau, and has given numer-

ous inservices and presentations for local school systems. She resides in Griffith, Ind.

**Class of '86:** Plans are under way for the 5th reunion during Homecoming 1991, September 27-29. Put this date on your calendars now and plan to attend this big event. More information from Diana Szucs Sullivan is on the way.

Tom Madura '86 has been appointed as executive director of POC, Inc., in Chicago, Ill. Fellow classmate Scott Trezak '86 joins him as operations manager.

Brenda Warken Barrett '87 has started a new job at Garden City (Kansas) Community College as assistant computer director/computer science teacher.

Joy A. Horvat '87 graduated with a master's degree in geology from Bowling Green State Univ. on Aug. 11, 1990.

Matthew Kaperka '87 was promoted to concession asst. for Harry M. Stevens, Inc., at the Houston Astrodome.

Jason M. Post '89 was commissioned as a Navy officer on Aug. 10, 1990, and is presently in Aviation Officer Candidate School at Whiting Naval Base in Milton, Fla. He joined the Navy in April 1990.

Kelley S. Van Gilder '89 has accepted a public relations position for David Dyer, a chiropractor in Huntington, Ind.

## The 1990s

Jeannette Yeoman '90, former Puma women's basketball player and first team All-American, has been a graduate assistant for Dave Smith, SJC's former women's basketball coach, at Shippensburg U. in Pennsylvania. She is now assistant women's basketball coach, under Mike Geary, at Northern Michigan University in Marquette, Michigan.

## Marriages

(Correction to Fall 1990 Contact:  
Debbie Freche and Bob Moyer,  
who were married July 14, 1990,  
are both of the class of '88.)

Leslie S. Silver '74 and Lorraine Basmajian, 11/3/90. The couple lives in Philadelphia, Pa.

Steve Gedney '79 and Linda Kausas, 9/16/90. They now live in Port Chester, N.Y. Mr. Gedney works for MCI Telecommunications as a credit and collections representative.

David Holtgrefe '83 and Jane Fiely, 6/23/90. The couple lives in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Debbie Brosseau '85 and Steve Yeazel, 10/27/90, in Kokomo, Ind. Included in the wedding were Cathie Bott Hubbmann '83, Beth Schroeder Bensen '84, Julie Mayhew '84, and Stephanie Lindahl Smiley '84. Mrs. Yeazel was promoted in Feb., 1990, to systems engineer supervisor for Electronic Data Systems, and Mr. Yeazel is an advanced systems engineer at the same company.

Karen L. Honkisz '85 and Luis

A. Madrigal, 8/4/90, in Chicago. Mrs. Madrigal is pursuing a master's degree at the University of Illinois at Chicago, and Mr. Madrigal is a mechanical engineer with Lester B. Knight and Associates. The wedding party included Karen Watt Rodriguez '85 and Cynthia Figel Mizuki '85.

Kathryn A. Kier and Gary G. Kleinrichert '85, 6/23/90, in St. James Catholic Church, Wyoming, Ohio. They live in Indpls.

Debra Caudill '86 and James Ewing, 5/19/90. They live in Granger, Ind.

Kathy Bruin '87 and Kevin Reid '87, 7/21/90. Mrs. Reid is a and sixth-grade teacher, and Mr. Reid is an environmental geologist. They live in Cincinnati, Ohio.

John Stitz '87 and Patricia Szucs '88, 6/2/90. Mr. Stitz sells computers for IBM, and Mrs. Stitz is employed at Business Mailers in Chicago. The couple lives in Tinley Park, Ill.

John Yakubec '87 and Alicia Caldanaro '90, 6/16/90, at Sorrowful Mother Catholic Church in Wheatfield, Ind. They reside in West Lafayette, Ind., where Mr. Yukubec is manager of Camelot Music, Inc.

Natalie J. Penz '88 and David Calisto, 6/23/90. The couple lives in Logansport, Ind.

Patricia Wojasinski '88 and Michael Gussman, 10/26/90. Mrs. Gussman is currently an elementary science and art teacher, and the couple will reside in Michigan City, Ind.

## Births

Thomas Michael Parks (2/10/89) to Thomas Parks '71 and Robin Parks of Lowell, Ind.

Shawn Kevin Mitchum (2/2/90) to John Mitchum '75 and Patricia Madden Mitchum '75 of Buffalo Grove, Ill. He joins sister Lauren, 6, and brother Jeffrey, 3.

Lauren Theresa Banina (5/28/90) to Helene Lenz Banina '78 and Dan Banina '79 of Peru, Ind. She joins brother Sam, 4.

Mark Charles Behncke (6/29/90) to Mary Ellen Werr Behncke

'79 and David L. Behncke III of Oak Lawn, Ill. He joins brothers David IV, 4, and Brian, 3.

Nicholas Sean Bryan (8/14/90) to Jean Klecan Bryan '79 and Al Bryan '79 of Madison, Alabama. He joins Katie, 8, and Mandy, 5.

Teri Elward Caron '79 and Jeff Caron of Rockford, Ill., are the proud parents of Kimberly Marie (9/26/90), Kyle Joseph (11/10/88), and Kevin Thomas (8/30/86). Mrs. Caron works as a supervisor of lab and x-ray at Brookside Medical Group in Rockford, and Dr. Caron is an optometrist in Genoa, Ill.

Ralph Donald Purcell (6/25/90) to Cathleen Bates Purcell '79 and Ralph Purcell of Noblesville. He joins brothers Justin, 13, Adam, 11, Brad, 4, and Austin, 2.

Ryan Matthew Soldat (6/7/90) to Ken Soldat '79 and Lori Walsh Soldat '82 of Naperville, Ill. He joins brother Mike, 3.

Andrew Karl Urick (7/30/90) to Julie Metz Urick '79 and Thomas Urick of Phoenix, Ariz.

Michael William Bray (4/2/90) to Bill Bray '80 and Sandra Butynski Bray of West Branch, Mich.

Erin Lynn Claywell (9/16/90) to Linda Schiel Claywell '80 and Randy Claywell of South Bend, Ind. She joins Nicholas, 1-1/2.

Haley Ellen Kerlin (9/14/90) to Eileen Crowley Kerlin '80 and Charles M. Kerlin, SJC professor of English. She joins brother Scott Charles, 4 (9/12/85).

Jason Richard Chiang (5/27/90) to Agnes Yeung '80 and David Chiang of Saratoga, Calif.

Jordan Elizabeth Brickner (10/4/90) to Dick Brickner '81 and Lee Ann Bosak Brickner '83 of Gurnee, Ill. She joins Joey, 2.

Janaye Marie Clausen (11/10/89) to Eileen Harrington Clausen '81 and James Clausen of Blaine, Wash.

Thaddeus John Corcoran (10/17/90) to Anne Corcoran and Gerald Corcoran '82 of Indpls.

Joseph James Flood (9/13/90) to Scott Flood '82 and Andrea Hilton Flood '83 of Chicago, Ill. He joins brother John, 2.

Brianna Giancola (7/6/90) to

Gina Giancola and Craig Giancola '83 of Clay, N.Y.

Randy Michael Kaufman (7/17/90) to Linda Wood Kaufman '83 and Greg Kaufman of Rensselaer, Ind. He joins Ryan, 3.

Joseph Ryan O'Rourke (6/26/90) to Mike O'Rourke '83 and Patty McInerney O'Rourke '85 of Merrillville, Ind. He joins brothers Timothy Michael, 7, and Daniel Patrick, 4.

Benjamin Charles Perna (8/7/90) to Suzanne Paul Perna '83 and Philip Perna of Mt. Prospect, Ill. He joins brother Tyler, 1-1/2.

Terrence Patrick Link (5/11/90) to Kevin Link '84 and Colleen Brennan Link '84 of Crystal Lake, Ill. He joins Daniel, 4.

Michael Andrew Broch (7/1/90) to Carol Helvig Broch '85 and Alfred Broch of Virginia Beach, Va. He joins brother Matthew, 11-1/2 months.

Timothy Patrick Conroy, Jr. (10/7/90), to Lana Flores Conroy '87 and Tom Conroy '89 of Willowbrook, Ill.

Zachary Douglas Hibbard (7/13/90) to Gary Scott Hibbard '87 and Karen Hibbard of Indpls.

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## Deaths

Adam P. Lesinsky, died Jan. 11.

He had become assistant professor of music and band director at SJC after having taught in and directed the music program for 25 years at Whiting H.S. After studying the cornet and music theory and conducting bands in Pennsylvania, he later played cornet with the John Philip Sousa Band, and then worked his way through Valparaiso Univ., where he earned a bachelor of music degree. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWI. He then taught at Valparaiso Univ. while he earned a second bachelor's degree, then moved on to Hammond H.S., where he taught for six years. In 1942 he received his master's degree from the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago.

While at Hammond, he attained national prominence in the music education field in 1931 when the Hammond H.S. band and orchestra, under his supervision, won first place in both the band and orchestra national contests.

While at Whiting, in 1937 he organized the Indiana School Band and Orchestra Assn. He helped organize the Natl. School Orchestra Assn., which he headed for ten years, and he was an early leader of the Music Education Natl. Conference. During this period he also conducted the Whiting Amer. Fed. of Musicians Band, directed Fr. Lach's Boys' Band during a European tour, and represented the U.S. at an international music relations conference.

In 1972 he received his Honorary Doctorate from SJC. Later he became heavily involved with the

Natl. Catholic Bandmasters Assn. for which he co-chaired the NCBA Summer Band Camp program for four years. He also conducted a number of music clinic bands, taught summer sessions at numerous colleges and universities, published a great many music articles, and judged dozens of musical contests. A year after his retirement from SJC, he was honored with the prestigious St. Cecilia Music Award and was named an honorary member of the Univ. of Notre Dame Bands, from which he received a bronze tablet and a certificate of merit for "outstanding musical contributions to bands in Catholic music education."

The family requests donations to the Adam P. Lesinsky Memorial Scholarship Fund, Suzuki Association of America, Inc., P.O. Box 354, Muscatine, Iowa 52761.

*John B. Egan, Ph.D., SJC professor of music and coordinator of the Division of Education and Arts, writes about the late Adam P. Lesinsky...*

Adam P. Lesinsky came back to Saint Joseph's College, which he loved deeply and served well, one last time on Jan. 15, 1991: He had died four days earlier, in Baton Rouge, La., at the age of 97. He came close to accomplishing his lifelong ambition—at least from the time when he sensed he had a pretty good chance of doing so—of living in three centuries, even if it meant that he would have been 107 years old at the time of death.

Adam was a man of many accomplishments, strength of character, and self-assurance. There was no time, space, or reason for regrets. He looked even the most difficult challenges "head on" and merely asked, "Why not? Why not, live until 107?"

When I came to the college back in 1962, Adam had been the director of bands here for several years. When retirement beckoned at 73, two years later, never did a man step down so graciously. He continued to come to the college almost daily and to involve himself in the affairs of the band, the music department, and the general college community. He was helpful in many ways—by his mere presence, which was always joyous and positive and inspiring; by his wisdom and experience, which he shared generously, never overpoweringly or stultifyingly or condescendingly; by his practicality, as he repaired instruments and tuned pianos and just generally saved the institution a bundle of bucks; and by his endless versatility and curiosity.

Adam had been a stellar brass performer when younger, but we never heard that from him. He had

acquired (and was still acquiring) numerous patents relevant to string instruments and their repair. He didn't talk much about them either. He'd founded or cofounded musical organizations of considerable significance, but we'd have to read about such things. He spoke quietly and walked humbly and just let us all find out for ourselves what a giant in the musical world he had been.

I mentioned "walking." I remember how Adam, always erect and vigorous, marched with our band. He was in his early 70s, but he actually outmarched the youngsters in his charge. His physical energy and fitness remained amazing until the end.

I read once that Pablo Casals, who also lived to be nearly 100, practiced Bach preludes and fugues at the piano every day of his life. Adam did similarly. He practiced the 'cello every day as long as he possibly could, even after his vision had failed him severely. He developed that condition, which he shared with the late Artur Rubinstein, wherein one cannot see anything straight ahead but retains peripheral vision. He rigged up music stands, lighting, and other contraptions so that he could continue to practice.

So Adam remained a practicing musician up to his near-end. Forever the teacher, he was always improving instructional methods, particularly for strings. And he took pride in a system of counting or keeping time that he devised for music students.

When Adam could no longer see well, I worried about him as a pedestrian, but consoled myself that his gait was so swift and sure that no car would ever catch him. I know that he strode briskly and happily into Heaven.



Adam P. Lesinsky

## Deaths

**Gabriel S. Dusch '15**, date of death unknown.

**Fr. Vincent Mallifiske, C.P.P.S., '32**, died July 1, 1990, at the St. Charles Infirmary in Carthagena, Ohio, at the age of 78. He made his temporary profession in the Society at Saint Joseph's College in 1930.

**Fr. Joseph C. Zimerle, C.P.P.S., '33**, died July 23, 1990, at Dayton, Ohio's St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He entered the Society in 1929 at Saint Joseph's College, was ordained with the class of 1939, and served many assignments until his final tenure as pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Dayton. He retired in March 1988 at St. Charles Seminary.

**John F. McNamara '34** died March 21, 1990, in Marshfield, Wis. After graduating from college, he married Lucille S. Speich, then served with the U.S. Army in World War II from 1943 until 1945. He joined his father-in-law in forming Speich & McNamara Co., which sold and serviced dairy equipment throughout the

Midwest. They also were representatives for the DeLaval Separator Co. He retired in 1987. He is survived by two sons, two brothers, and three grandchildren.

**John "Gus" Morrison '40** died Aug. 15, 1990. He was retired from the U.S. Navy and resided with his wife Elsie in Silver Spring, Maryland.

**Fr. Richard Girt, C.P.P.S., '46**, who was dean of men at Saint Joseph's during 1962-64, died Oct. 9, 1990, in Catawba, Wis. A funeral Mass of the Resurrection was held at the Saint Charles Seminary in Carthagena, Ohio, on Oct. 15, followed by burial in the Society of Precious Blood cemetery at Saint Charles. Fr. Girt was the pastor of St. Paul the Apostle Church in Catawba. He was born in Massillon, Ohio, on March 27, 1926, and was ordained to the priesthood at Saint Charles Seminary on May 18, 1952. He was a member of the Kansas City Province of the Society of the Precious Blood. Except for his two years at Saint Joseph's, Fr. Girt devoted his ministry to pastoral service.

**Cecilia Frances Conley** (known to Saint Joe students, faculty, and staff as "Ceil") died in Rensselaer on January 7 at the age of 87. She had been the manager of the SJC bookstore from 1947 until 1963 and was a lifetime resident of the Rensselaer area. She was a member of the St. Augustine Catholic Church of Rensselaer, the Rensselaer Senior Citizens Club, and the St. Augustine Christian Women. Survivors include one son, Robert J. Conley of Lafayette, five grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren. Memorials may be given to the Jasper County Hospital or the Jasper County Cancer Society.

**Fr. Donald A. Vogl, C.P.P.S., '50**, died Dec. 24, 1990. Burial took place at St. Charles, Carthagena, Ohio, on Dec. 31. Fr. Vogl was born in New York City on July 14, 1928, and was ordained priest on May 15, 1954.

**Fr. Lawrence A. Eiting, C.P.P.S., '63**, died Oct. 22, 1990, in Santiago, Chile. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at the Assumption Chapel of Saint Charles in Carthagena, Ohio, on Oct. 29, 1990. Fr. Eiting was born in Minister, Ohio, Jan. 12, 1941, attended Saint Joseph's College from 1959 to 1961, and was ordained to the priesthood June 1, 1968. He was vicar-general of the Precious Blood missionaries in Chile at the time of his sudden death.

**Sr. Roselyn Yester '88** passed away on Oct. 26 following a series of heart attacks. Sr. Roselyn ("Rosie") graduated with a Master of Arts degree in music, with a concentration in church music and liturgy and an emphasis in organ. She was loved by all in Saint Joseph's Church Music and Liturgy Program.



Mrs. Ceil Conley with student, from the 1956 SJC yearbook.

# Calendar of Events

March 13 ... South Bend Centennial Dinner

March 15 ... Pre-Saint Patrick's Day Parade  
Chicago Alumni Gathering — Upper Avenue  
Lounge in the Michigan Avenue Marriott

March 16 ... Saint Patrick's Day Parade in Chicago

March 17-March 21 ... Phonathon,  
Halleck Center Ballroom

April 3 ... Annual President's Senior Dinner —  
Announcement of Senior of the Year for 1991

April 6 ... Alumni Board of Directors Meeting  
and SJC Sports Hall of Fame Induction

April 11 ... Fort Wayne Centennial Dinner

April 13 ... SJC Little 500

April 19 ... Scholarship Dinner in Chicago

April 20 ... Alumni Football Game

April 23 ... Northwest Indiana  
Centennial Dinner in Valparaiso

April 25 or 30 ... Wisconsin Centennial Dinner

May 4 ... SJC Baccalaureate Mass

May 5 ... SJC Commencement

Early June ... Indianapolis Golf Outing

June 1 ... Fellows Dinner — Campus

June 20 ... Chicago Golf Outing

June 23 ... Cin-Day Picnic at Sharon Woods

September 27-29 ... HOMECOMING 1991

October 18-20 ... PARENTS WEEKEND

On the cover (clockwise): Richard Bender '55, Larry Kelly '55, Tom Morgan '55, and Pat Kelly look at Class of '55 photos at last fall's successful Homecoming. More details inside!

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